



May19, 2006

# This Week In Correction

A weekly update of events in the Tennessee Department of Correction

WE REMEMBER

**WAYNE "COTTON" MORGAN**

End of watch-August 9, 2005



CO Wayne Morgan's name has been added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, DC. CO Morgan was among 13 Tennessee Law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty whose names have now been engraved on the walls of the national memorial located near the U.S. Capitol.



Commissioner George Little said, "It is very appropriate and gratifying that the sacrifice of Officer Morgan, as well as all our correctional officers, is recognized at this memorial.

A ceremony is planned next week in Tullahoma at **TCA** to recognize CO Morgan. Commissioner Little and other staff members will travel to St. Louis in June to attend the Corrections Peace Officers meeting where there will be a presentation remembering Officer Morgan.

A service in recognition of Peace Officers Memorial Day was held this week at **MCCX**. Flags were lowered to half-staff and a moment of silence was observed as Chaplain Dean Yancey read the Proclamation designating May 15<sup>th</sup> as Peace Officer's Memorial Day. That was followed by a prayer for our Correctional Officers.



A cross was placed in the flower bed at the prison in memory of CO Morgan.



The cross is solar powered so that it will be lit up at all times. Deputy Warden Bobby Walls has carved a stone to be placed at the foot of the cross that reads, "In honor and in memory of the service and sacrifice of Wayne "Cotton" Morgan.

## COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE:

### A TIME TO GIVE:



Commissioner Little rolled up his sleeve, endured a little bit of pain to help the American Red Cross during its blood drive this week at Central Office. Here's proof the needle actually went in.

Other staff members also helped give the gift of life; the gift that keeps on giving.

### A LITTLE BBQ NEVER HURT:

In honor of Correctional Employees Week, **WTSP** hosted its annual BBQ luncheon and awarded over 140 prizes to staff. The culinary arts class provided breakfast and snacks for all shifts.





**WTSP** also donated \$2,020.00 to the annual Relay for Life event held at Ripley Park.

\$800.00 was donated by vocational instructor James Poiner. Thanks to all staff that helped make this a success.

Visitors this week included Judge Herman Reviere and Ms. Lyndal Fielder. She is a native of Australia studying criminal justice.

**STSRCF** Commissioner Little and several staff members joined Warden Lewis to celebrate Correctional Professionals Appreciation Day.



**MCCX** also celebrated Correctional Professionals Day with a cookout. Hats off to all Correctional Professionals!



**RMSI** had more food than a Shoney's buffet during its appreciation day for staff. Yours truly was able to stop Warden Ricky Bell long enough for a snapshot before he yelled at security to get me away from him.

### **RMSI Correctional Professionals Day 2006:**



Last week we told you that Clara Gordon, RN, was among the nurses selected as Nurse of the Year at **NECX**, now we have the picture to prove it. Congratulations!



## **MCCX Employee Recognition Ceremony:**

The following staff members were recognized for their years of service:

### **30 Years-**

Larry Bell  
Craig Williams

### **25 Years-**

Rick Elmore  
Katherine Prater  
Andy Meunier  
Sharon Thomas  
Gary West  
Carey Newberry  
Leroy Turner  
John Richardson  
Sidney Beaver  
Faye Jeffers  
Anna Combs

### **20 Years-**

Scott Johnston  
Jeff Foster  
Bobby Shubert  
David Nation  
Bruce Potter  
Linda Griffith  
Charlie Waddle  
Steve Potter  
W.D. Davis  
Rusty Brown  
Ricky Bunch

### **15 Years:**

Donita Edwards  
10 Years  
Bradley Freels

### **5 Years:**

Martin Webb  
Anita Hall  
Brian Shoemaker  
Dariel Watson  
Elmer Laymance  
Amy Crabtree  
Shayna Rader

## **QUOTES OF THE WEEK:**

**“People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people**

**will never forget how you made them feel”**

—Maya Angelou

Submitted by Julia Hamilton, Assistant Director of Health Services

**“The highest form of wisdom is kindness”**

----Linda Berman

Submitted by Jean Mills, Administrative Assistant, WTSP

**“Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared”**

----Buddha

Submitted by Tom Robinson, Director of Facilities, Central Office